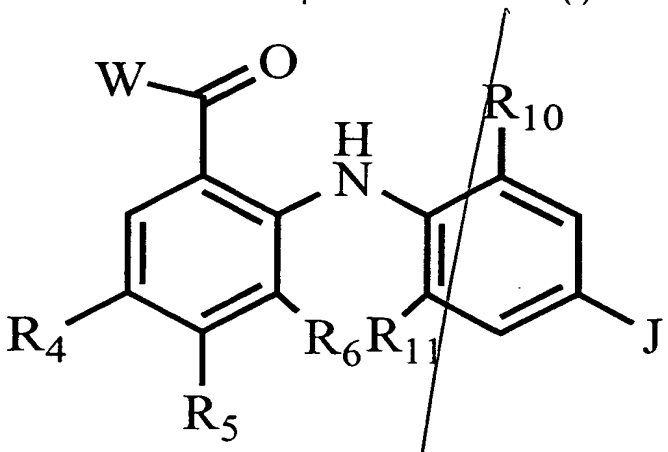
CLAIMS

1. A compound of formula (I):



(I)

wherein

W is OR_1, NR_2OR_1, NR_AR_B, $NR_2NR_AR_B$, $O(CH_2)_{1-4}NR_AR_B$, or $NR_2(CH_2)_{1-4}NR_AR_B$; $O(CH_2)_{1-4}OR_1$, or $NR_2(CH_2)_{1-4}OR_1$;

R_1 is H, C $_{1-8}$ alkyl, C $_{3-8}$ alkenyl, C $_{3-8}$ alkynyl, C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl, phenyl, (phenyl)C $_{1-4}$ alkyl, (phenyl)C $_{3-4}$ alkenyl, (phenyl)C $_{3-4}$ alkynyl, (C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl)-C $_{1-4}$ alkyl, (C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl)C $_{3-4}$ alkenyl, (C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl)C $_{3-4}$ alkynyl, C $_{3-8}$ heterocyclic radical, (C $_{3-8}$ heterocyclic radical)C $_{1-4}$ alkyl, (C $_{3-8}$ heterocyclic radical)C $_{3-4}$ alkenyl, or (C $_{3-8}$ heterocyclic radical)C $_{3-4}$ alkynyl;

each of R_2 and R_3 is independently H, phenyl, C $_{1-4}$ alkyl, C $_{3-8}$ alkynyl, C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl, or (C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl)C $_{1-4}$ alkyl;

each of R_4, R_5 and R_6 is independently H, Cl, F, or Br;

R_A is H, C $_{1-6}$ alkyl, C $_{3-8}$ alkenyl, C $_{3-8}$ alkynyl, C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl, phenyl, (C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl)C $_{1-4}$ alkyl, (C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl)C $_{3-4}$ alkenyl, (C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl)C $_{3-4}$ alkynyl, C $_{3-8}$ heterocyclic radical, (C $_{3-8}$ heterocyclic radical)C $_{1-4}$ alkyl, (aminosulfonyl)phenyl, [(aminosulfonyl)phenyl]C $_{1-4}$ alkyl, (aminosulfonyl)C $_{1-6}$ alkyl, (aminosulfonyl)C $_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl, or [(aminosulfonyl)C $_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl]C $_{1-4}$ alkyl;

R_B is H, C $_{1-8}$ alkyl, C $_{3-8}$ alkenyl, C $_{3-8}$ alkynyl, C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl, or phenyl;

J is SR_C, OR_C, SO_2R_C, SOR_C, $SO_2NR_DR_E$, C $_{1-8}$ alkyl, C $_{3-8}$ alkenyl, C $_{3-8}$ alkynyl, C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl, C $_{5-8}$ cycloalkenyl, phenyl, (C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl)C $_{1-4}$ alkyl, (C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl)C $_{3-4}$ alkenyl, (C $_{3-8}$ cycloalkyl)C $_{3-4}$ alkynyl, C $_{3-8}$ heterocyclic radical, (C $_{3-8}$ heterocyclic radical)C $_{1-4}$ alkyl, -M'E'G', (heterocyclic radical)-M'-E'-G', or (cycloalkyl)-M'-E'-G';

M' is O, SO, SO_2, NR_E, (CO)NR_E, NR_E (CO), SO_2NR_E, NR_ESO_2, or CH_2;

E' is absent (a covalent bond), $(CH_2)_{1-4}$ or $(CH_2)_m O(CH_2)_p$ where $1 \leq$ (each of m and p independently) ≤ 3 and $2 \leq (m + p) \leq 4$;

G' is OR_3, SO_2R_C, or NR_FR_G; provided that where p = 1, then G' is H;

each of R_C, R_D, R_E, R_F and R_G is independently selected from H, C $_{1-6}$ alkyl, C $_{3-4}$ alkenyl, C $_{3-4}$ alkynyl, C $_{3-6}$ cycloalkyl, C $_{3-6}$ heterocyclic radical, and phenyl; NR_FR_G and NR_DR_E can each also independently be selected from morpholinyl, pyrazinyl, piperazinyl, pyrrolidinyl, or piperadinyl;

R_{10} is H, C $_{1-4}$ alkyl, halo, NO_2, or $SO_2NR_HR_I$; and

R_{11} is H, halo, or NO_2;

wherein each hydrocarbon radical or heterocyclic radical above is optionally substituted with between 1 and 3 substituents independently selected from halo, C_{1-4} alkyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, C_{2-4} alkenyl, C_{2-4} alkynyl, phenyl, hydroxy, amino, (amino)sulfonyl, and NO_2, wherein each substituent alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or phenyl is in turn optionally substituted with between 1 and 3 substituents independently selected from halo, C_{1-2} alkyl, hydroxy, amino, and NO_2;

or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt or C_{1-7} ester thereof.

2. A compound of claim 1, wherein R_C is C_{1-2} alkyl.

3. A compound of claim 1, wherein W is OH.

4. A compound of claim 1, wherein W is NHOH.

5. A compound of claim 1, wherein W is NHO(cyclopropylmethyl).

6. A compound of claim 1, wherein R_{10} is methyl or chloro.

7. A compound of claim 1, where R_{11} is fluoro.

8. A compound of claim 1, where R_{11} is H.

9. A compound of claim 1, wherein J is trihalomethyl or methylthio.

10. A compound of claim 1, wherein J is 1,2,5-thiadiazol-3-yl.

11. A compound of claim 1, wherein J is SO_2CH_3.

12. A compound of claim 1, wherein J is $SOCH_3$.

13. A compound of claim 1, wherein J is C_{2-8} alkynyl where the triple bond is between the carbon atoms alpha and beta to the phenyl group.

14. A compound of claim 1, wherein R_1 has at least one hydroxy substituent.

15. A compound of claim 1, wherein R_1 is H, methyl, ethyl, propyl, isopropyl, isobutyl, benzyl, phenethyl, allyl, C_{3-5} alkenyl, C_{3-5} alkynyl, C_{3-6} cycloalkyl, (C_{3-5} cycloalkyl)C_{1-2} alkyl, or (C_{3-5} heterocyclic radical)-C_{1-2} alkyl.

16. A compound of claim 15, wherein R_1 is H or (C_{3-4} cycloalkyl)-C_{1-2} alkyl.

17. A compound of claim 1, wherein R_2 is H, methyl, C_{3-4} alkynyl, C_{3-5} cycloalkyl, or (C_{3-5} cycloalkyl)methyl.

18. A compound of claim 1, wherein R_A is H, methyl, ethyl, isobutyl, hydroxyethyl, hydroxypropyl, cyclopropylmethyl, cyclobutylmethyl, C_{2-4} alkynyl, phenyl, 2-piperidin-1-yl-ethyl, 2,3-dihydroxy-propyl, 3-[4-(2-hydroxyethyl)-piperazin-1-yl]-propyl, 2-pyrrolidin-1-yl-ethyl, or 2-diethylamino-ethyl; and R_B is H; or where R_B is methyl and R_A is phenyl.

19. A compound of claim 1, wherein each of R_4 and R_6 is H, and R_5 is F.

20. A compound of claim 1, wherein each of R_4, R_5, and R_6 is F.

21. A compound of claim 1, wherein each of R_4 and R_5 is F and R_6 is Br.

22. A compound of claim 1, wherein R_5 is F.

23. A compound of claim 1, having the structure: 4-fluoro-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; 5-bromo-3,4-difluoro-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; 3,4-difluoro-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; 2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-4-nitro-benzoic acid; 3,4,5-trifluoro-2-(4-methanesulfonyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; 3,4-difluoro-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; 2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-4-nitro-benzoic acid; 3,4,5-trifluoro-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; 4-fluoro-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; 5-bromo-3,4-difluoro-2-(4-methanesulfonyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; 3,4,5-trifluoro-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; 4-fluoro-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; 5-bromo-3,4-difluoro-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; 3,4-difluoro-2-(4-methanesulfonyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; 2-(4-methanesulfonyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-4-nitro-benzoic acid; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-4-fluoro-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 5-bromo-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-4-nitro-benzamide; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4,5-trifluoro-2-(4-methanesulfonyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-4-nitro-benzamide; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4,5-trifluoro-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-4-fluoro-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 5-bromo-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-2-(4-methanesulfonyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4,5-trifluoro-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-4-fluoro-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 5-bromo-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-2-(4-

methanesulfonyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; or N-cyclopropylmethoxy-2-(4-methanesulfonyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-4-nitro-benzamide.

24. A compound of claim 1, having the structure: 4-fluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 5-bromo-3,4-difluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 3,4-difluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; N-hydroxy-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-4-nitro-benzamide; 3,4,5-trifluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(4-methanesulfonyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 3,4-difluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; N-hydroxy-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-4-nitro-benzamide; 8: 3,4,5-trifluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 4-fluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 5-bromo-3,4-difluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(4-methanesulfonyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 3,4,5-trifluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(2-methyl-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 4-fluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 5-bromo-3,4-difluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 3,4-difluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(4-methanesulfonyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; or N-hydroxy-2-(4-methanesulfonyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-4-nitro-benzamide.

25. A compound of claim 1, having the structure: 3,4-difluoro-2-(4-imidazol-1-yl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-2-(4-imidazol-1-yl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 3,4-difluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(4-imidazol-1-yl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 3,4,5-trifluoro-2-(2-methyl-4-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl-phenylamino)-benzoic acid; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4,5-trifluoro-2-(2-methyl-4-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 3,4,5-trifluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(2-methyl-4-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 2-[4-(4-chloro-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl)-2-methyl-phenylamino]-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzoic acid; 2-[4-(4-chloro-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl)-2-methyl-phenylamino]-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzamide; 2-[4-(4-chloro-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl)-2-methyl-phenylamino]-

3,4,5-trifluoro-N-hydroxy-benzamide; 2-{4-[4-(2-dimethylamino-ethoxy)-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl]-2-methyl-phenylamino}-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzoic acid; N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4,5-trifluoro-2-{2-methyl-4-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-ethoxy)-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl]-phenylamino}-benzamide; or 3,4,5-trifluoro-N-hydroxy-2-{2-methyl-4-[4-(2-morpholin-4-yl-ethoxy)-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl]-phenylamino}-benzamide.

26. The compound of claim 1, having a structure selected from: 5-bromo-2-(2-chloro-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-benzoic acid; 2-(2-chloro-4-methanesulfinyl-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-benzoic acid; 2-(2-chloro-4-methanesulfonyl-phenylamino)-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzoic acid; 2-(2-chloro-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-benzoic acid; 5-bromo-2-(2-chloro-4-methanesulfonyl-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-benzoic acid; 2-(2-Chloro-4-methanesulfonyl-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-benzoic acid; 5-bromo-2-(2-chloro-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-benzamide; 2-(2-chloro-4-methanesulfinyl-phenylamino)-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-benzamide; 2-(2-chloro-4-methanesulfonyl-phenylamino)- N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzamide; 2-(2-chloro-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)- N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-benzamide; 2-(2-chloro-4-methanesulfinyl-phenylamino)- N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzamide; 5-bromo-2-(2-chloro-4-methanesulfonyl-phenylamino)-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-benzamide; 2-(2-chloro-4-methylsulfanyl-phenylamino)-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzamide; 2-(2-chloro-4-methanesulfonyl-phenylamino)-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-benzamide; 2-[2-chloro 4-(3H-imidazol-1-yl)-phenylamino]-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-benzamide; 2-(2-chloro-4-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl-phenylamino)-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzamide; 2-[4-(2-chloro-4-chloro-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl)-phenylamino]-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzoic acid; 2-[2-chloro-4-(4-chloro-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl)-phenylamino]-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzamide; 2-{4-[4-(2-dimethylamino-ethoxy)-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl]-2-methyl-phenylamino}-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzoic acid; 2-{2-chloro-4-[4-(2-piperidin-1-yl-

ethoxy)-[1,2,5]thiadiazol-3-yl]-phenylamino}-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzamide.

27. The compound of claim 1, having a structure selected from: 2-(4-Ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-4-fluoro-benzoic acid; 5-Bromo-2-(4-ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-benzoic acid; N-Cyclopropylmethoxy-2-(4-ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-benzamide; N-Cyclopropylmethoxy-2-(4-ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-4-nitro-Benzamide; 2-(4-Ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-3,4,5-trifluoro-N-hydroxy-benzamide; 2-(4-Ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-benzoic acid; 2-(4-Ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-4-nitro-benzoic acid; N-Cyclopropylmethoxy-2-(4-ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzamide; 4-Fluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide; 5-Bromo-2-(4-ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-N-hydroxy-benzamide; 2-(4-Ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzoic acid; N-Cyclopropylmethoxy-2-(4-ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-4-fluoro-benzamide; 5-Bromo-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-2-(4-ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-benzamide; 2-(4-Ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-N-hydroxy-benzamide; 2-(4-Ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-N-hydroxy-4-nitro-benzamide; 2-(4-Ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-4-fluoro-benzoic acid; N-Cyclopropylmethoxy-2-(4-ethynyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-4-fluoro-benzamide; and 4-Fluoro-N-hydroxy-2-(4-methanesulfinyl-2-methyl-phenylamino)-benzamide.

28. The compound of claim 1, having a structure selected from: 2-(2-Chloro-4-ethynyl-phenylamino)-4-fluoro-benzoic acid; 5-Bromo-2-(2-chloro-4-ethynyl-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-benzoic acid; 2-(2-Chloro-4-ethynyl-phenylamino)- N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-benzamide; 2-(2-Chloro-4-ethynyl-phenylamino)- N-cyclopropylmethoxy-4-nitro-benzamide; 2-(2-Chloro-4-ethynyl-phenylamino)- N-hydroxy-3,4,5-trifluoro- benzamide; 2-(2-Chloro-4-ethynyl-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-benzoic acid; 2-(4-Ethynyl-2-chloro-phenylamino)-4-nitro-benzoic acid; 2-(2-Chloro-4-ethynyl-phenylamino)- N-Cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzamide; 2-(2-chloro-4-methanesulfinyl-

phenylamino)- 4-fluoro-N-hydroxy-benzamide; 5-Bromo-2-(4-ethynyl-2-chloro-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-N-hydroxy-benzamide; 2-(2-Chloro-4-ethynyl-phenylamino)-3,4,5-trifluoro-benzoic acid; 2-(2-Chloro-4-ethynyl-phenylamino)- N-cyclopropylmethoxy-4-fluoro-benzamide; 5-Bromo-2-(2-chloro-4-ethynyl-phenylamino)-N-cyclopropylmethoxy-3,4-difluoro-benzamide; 2-(4-Ethynyl-2-chloro-phenylamino)-3,4-difluoro-N-hydroxy-benzamide; 2-(4-Ethynyl-2-chloro-phenylamino)-N-hydroxy-4-nitro-benzamide; 2-(2-Chloro-4-ethynyl-phenylamino)-4-fluoro-benzoic acid; 2-(2-Chloro-4-ethynyl-phenylamino)- N-cyclopropylmethoxy-4-fluoro-benzamide; 2-(2-Chloro-4-methanesulfinyl-phenylamino)- 4-fluoro-N-hydroxy-benzamide; and 2-(2-chloro-4-imidazol-1-yl-phenylamino)- 3,4-Difluoro-benzoic acid.

29. A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of claim 1 and a pharmaceutically-acceptable carrier.

30. A method for treating a proliferative disease, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

31. A method of claim 30, wherein said proliferative disease is selected from psoriasis, restenosis, autoimmune disease, and atherosclerosis.

32. A method for treating cancer, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

33. A method of claim 32, wherein said cancer is MEK-related.

34. A method of claim 32, wherein said cancer is colorectal, cervical, breast, ovarian, brain, acute leukemia, gastric, non-small cell lung, pancreatic, prostatic, or renal.

35. A method for treating, or ameliorating the sequelae of, a stroke, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

36. A method for treating, or ameliorating the sequelae of, heart failure, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

37. A method for treating or reducing the symptoms of xenograft rejection, said method comprising administering to a cell transplant, limb transplant, skin transplant, an organ transplant or bone marrow transplant patient a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

38. A method for treating osteoarthritis, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

39. A method for treating rheumatoid arthritis, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

40. A method for treating cystic fibrosis, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

41. A method for treating hepatomegaly, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

42. A method for treating cardiomegaly, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

43. A method for treating Alzheimer's disease, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

44. A method for treating a complication of diabetes, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

45. A method for treating septic shock, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

46. A method for treating a viral infection, said method comprising administering to a patient in need of such treatment a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1.

47. A method of claim 46, wherein said viral infection is a HIV infection.

48. A method for treating cancer, said method comprising
(a) administering to a patient in need of such treatment, a pharmaceutically-effective amount of a composition comprising a compound of claim 1; and
(b) administering a therapy selected from radiation therapy and chemotherapy.

49. A method of claim 48, wherein said chemotherapy comprises a mitotic inhibitor.

50. A method of claim 49, wherein said mitotic inhibitor is selected from paclitaxel, docetaxel, vincristine, vinblastine, vinorelbine, and vinflunine.

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